Resolution No.: 16-1035

Introduced:

June 30, 2009

Adopted:

June 30, 2009

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: County Council

SUBJECT:

Disapproval of Proposed Executive Regulation 20-08, Emergency Medical

Service Transport Fees

Background

- 1. On June 10, 2008, Bill 25-08, *Emergency Medical Services Transport Fee Imposition*, was introduced by the Council President at the request of the County Executive. Bill 25-08 would authorize the County to impose and collect a fee to recover costs generated by providing emergency medical service transports. The Council received proposed amendments from the Executive on September 17, 2008, and March 26, 2009.
- 2. In 2008, the Council's Public Safety Committee received an overview of the Emergency Medical Services Transport (EMST) fee on June 26; the Council held a public hearing on the bill on July 8; the Public Safety Committee held worksessions on the bill as originally proposed on July 24, and on the bill and the Executive's September amendments on September 25 and October 23. Council action was scheduled for November 25, 2008. The Council tabled the bill at that time and has not taken further action. Thus, the County is not currently authorized to charge an EMST fee. Bill 25-08 is scheduled to expire on December 10, 2009.
- 3. On May 1, 2009, the Council received proposed Regulation 20-08, *Emergency Medical Service Transport Fees*, from the Executive.
- 4. The Council must review the regulation under method (2) of Section 2A-15 of the County Code. Under method (2), if the Council does not approve or disapprove a regulation within 60 days after the Council receives it, the regulation automatically takes effect unless the Council, by resolution, extends the deadline for action. The 60-day deadline for Council action on proposed Regulation 20-08 is June 30, 2009.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

Regulation 20-08, Emergency Medical Service Transport Fees, is disapproved.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council